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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and its state and local partners release interim document for public comment

BALTIMORE — The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District, along with its state and local partners, have begun a study to develop a 10-year restoration plan for the Anacostia River watershed. Initiated in September 2007, the study will define the existing conditions, identify specific problems and recommend actions to improve the ecological health of the river and its tributaries. The study will be completed in 2009 and will present the 10-year restoration plan for the entire watershed.

The Corps and its state and local partners have been working together to restore the Anacostia River and its tributaries. As directed in the Water Resources Development Act of 2007, the Corps has reached a major milestone, and is releasing an interim document for the Anacostia Watershed Restoration Plan study. The interim document — The Anacostia River Watershed Restoration Plan Interim Report Framework — will be made available to the public for comment at www.anacostia.net.

Included in the interim document is the process to conduct and complete the development of the restoration plan, as well as presenting the application of the study process to the Sligo Creek watershed. The public is encouraged to review and comment over the next 45 days.